03040205-03

(Cane Savannah Creek)

General Description

Watershed 03040205-03 (formerly 03040205-080 less the Pocotaligo River headwaters) is located in Sumter County and consists primarily of *Cane Savannah Creek* and its tributaries. The watershed occupies 88,077 acres of the Upper Coastal Plain region of South Carolina. Land use/land cover in the watershed includes: 35.8% agricultural land, 21.3% forested land, 20.2% urban land, 18.5% forested wetland, 2.9% scrub/shrub land, 0.6% water, 0.4% barren land, and 0.3% nonforested wetland.

Hatchet Camp Branch (McCray Lake) and Brunson Swamp (Elliott Lake, Burnt Gin Lake) merge to form Cane Savannah Creek. Nasty Branch (Red Oak Branch, Bush Bay, Bush Branch, Bethel Creek, Cain Millpond) enters Cane Savannah Creek next followed by Green Swamp. Green Swamp accepts drainage from Horsepen Branch, Mush Swamp (Suicide Branch, Frierson Pond, Bluffhead Branch, Loring Millpond, Spann Branch, Long Branch, Booths Pond, Sawmill Pond, Cypress Bay, Second Millpond), and Shot Pouch Branch (Swan Lake) before draining into Cane Savannah Creek. The headwaters of Brunson Swamp are within the Manchester State Forest, and Shaw Air Force Base lies between Mush Swamp and Long Branch. There are a total of 129.7 stream miles and 614.0 acres of lake waters in this watershed. Green Swamp is classified FW* (Dissolved oxygen not less than 4.0 mg/l and pH between 5.0 and 8.0) and the remaining streams in the watershed are classified FW.

Surface Water Quality

Station #	Type	Class	<u>Description</u>
RS-03345	RS03/BIO	FW	Brunson Swamp at S-43-251, 9.25 mi SW of Sumter
PD-239	S/W	FW	NASTY BRANCH AT S-43-251 7.5 MI SW OF SUMTER
PD-039	S/W	FW*	GREEN SWAMP AT S-43-33

Brunson Swamp (RS-03345) – This is a blackwater system, characterized by naturally low pH and dissolved oxygen conditions. Although pH and dissolved oxygen excursions occurred, they were typical of values seen in blackwater systems and were considered natural, not standards violations. Aquatic life uses are partially supported based on macroinvertebrate community data. Recreational uses are not supported due to fecal coliform bacteria excursions.

Nasty Branch (PD-239) – This is a blackwater system, characterized by naturally low pH conditions. Although pH excursions occurred, they were typical of values seen in blackwater systems and were considered natural, not standards violations. Aquatic life uses are not supported due to dissolved oxygen excursions, which are compounded by a significant decreasing trend in dissolved oxygen concentration. A significant decreasing trend in turbidity suggests improving conditions for this parameter. Recreational uses are partially supported due to fecal coliform bacteria excursions.

Green Swamp (PD-039) – Aquatic life uses are not supported due to dissolved oxygen excursions, which are compounded by a significant decreasing trend in dissolved oxygen concentration. Recreational uses are fully supported, and a significant decreasing trend in fecal coliform bacteria concentration suggests improving conditions for this parameter.

Groundwater Quality

Well #	<u>Class</u>	<u>Aquifer</u>	<u>Location</u>
AMB-049	GB	MIDDENDORF	SUMTER PLANT 1-#3

NPDES Program

Active NPDES Facilities

RECEIVING STREAM

FACILITY NAME

PERMITTED FLOW @ PIPE (MGD)

COMMENT

CANE SAVANNAH CREEK SC0023647

CITY OF SUMTER/TWIN LAKES SD MINOR DOMESTIC

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: 0.035

CANE SAVANNAH CREEK SC0000795

PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP./POULTRY PROC. PLT MAJOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 002 FLOW: 0.104

MUSH SWAMP SC0024970

USAF/SHAW AIR FORCE BASE MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 007 FLOW: 0.578

MUSH SWAMP TRIBUTARY SC0031704

HIGH HILLS RURAL/HARWOOD MHP MINOR DOMESTIC

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: 0.0072

MUSH SWAMP SC0031925

BURGESS GLEN MHP I MINOR DOMESTIC

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: 0.018

MUSH SWAMP SC0032239

BURGESS GLEN MHP II MINOR DOMESTIC

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: 0.018

MUSH SWAMP SC0032212

CAROLINA MOBILE COURT WWTP MINOR DOMESTIC

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: 0.030

MUSH SWAMP SCG730171

JOE SINGLETON MINE #4 MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: M/R

MUSH SWAMP SCG730197

CLAUDE NEWMAN & SONS/CNS MINE MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: M/R

MUSH SWAMP SC0040088

GLASSCOCK COMPANY, INC. MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001, 01A FLOW: 0.64

NASTY BRANCH SCG730152

DYSON LANDSCAPING/CAINS MILL MINE MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: M/R

NASTY BRANCH SC0034860

PHIBRO-TECH INC. MINOR INDUSTRIAL

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: 0.11

SPANN BRANCH SC0031844

BRIARCLIFF MHP MINOR DOMESTIC

PIPE #: 001 FLOW: 0.026

Nonpoint Source Management Program

Land Disposal Activities

Landfill Facilities

LANDFILL NAME PERMIT #
FACILITY TYPE STATUS

G&K TANK SERVICE 432752-8001 LAND APPLICATION ACTIVE

S.C.R. COMPOSTING SITE 432661-3001 COMPOSTING ACTIVE

PHIBRO TECH INC. ------INDUSTRIAL CLOSED

TOWN OF WEDGEWOOD DUMP

MUNICIPAL

CLOSED

BURGESS BROGDEN C&D DUMP --------CONSTRUCTION CLOSED

SUMTER COUNTY WOOD PROCESSING FACILITY 431001-3001 COMPOSTING ACTIVE

CARTER COMPANY C&D LF
C&D
PROPOSED

Mining Activities

MINING COMPANY PERMIT #
MINE NAME MINERAL

SUMTER COUNTY SAND 0646-85 SMG, INC. PIT SAND

JOE SINGLETON CO. 1008-85 SINGLETON MINE #4 SAND/CLAY

CLAUDE NEWMAN & SONS LLC 0878-85
LEE CONSTRUCTION MINE #1 SAND/CLAY
HISTORIC HILLS OF STATESBURG 1411-85
SUMMIT MINE SAND

DYSON LANDSCAPING 0418-85
CAINS MILL MINE SAND/CLAY

Growth Potential

There is a high potential for residential, commercial, and industrial growth in this watershed, which contains the majority of the City of Sumter and Shaw Air Force Base. Several major U.S. highways intersect in Sumter and increase the urban sprawl in every direction outside of the city. There are also several industrial parks and three rail lines.

Watershed Restoration and Protection

Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)

A TMDL was developed by SCDHEC and approved by EPA for *Nasty Branch* water quality monitoring site *PD-239* to determine the maximum amount of fecal coliform bacteria it can receive and still meet water quality standards. Nonpoint sources of fecal coliform are poultry AFOs, land application of manure, possible failing OSWD systems, wildlife, and cattle with direct access to creeks. The TMDL states that a 5% reduction in fecal coliform loading is necessary for the stream to meet the water quality standard.